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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SECOND ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON MUHAMMAD ALI HAYTHAM

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1. SECOND ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT IN PAST YEAR ON
PDRY EXILE LEADER MUHAMMAD ALI HAYTHAM TOOK PLACE
IN CAIRO AUGUST 6. ACCORDING TO PRESS, DRIVER
OF CAR KILLED BUT HAYTHAM ESCAPED WITH BULLET
WOUNDS IN LEFT ARM AND MINOR FACIAL WOUNDS. OTHER
PASSENGERS, BROTHERS SHAIKH HOSAYN AND SHAIKH
SALAH AND EGYPTIAN BODYGUARD (WHOSE GUN
REPORTEDLY DID NOT WORK WHEN HE ATTEMPTED TO FIRE
ON ASSAILANTS IN PASSING CAR) WERE UNHARMED.

2. HAYTHAM ACCUSED "SAME CIRCLES" AS LAST OCTOBER
ATTEMPT OF BEING RESPONSIBLE (I.E., PDRY SECURTIY
SERVICES). ASSAILANTS GOT AWAY.

3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH GOE SENTENCED CHIEF
ASSAILANT OF LAST OCTOBER ATTEMPT TO 15 YEARS IN
PRISON, IT WAS NOT SYMPATHETIC TO ALI HAYTHAM.
GOE WAS AWARE OF HAYTHAM'S OWN PLOTTING TO ASSASSINATE
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SOME OF HIS RIVALS IN VIOLATION OF GOE'S GROUND

RULES FOR POLITICAL EXILES. IT HAD TOLD HYTHAM
TO DESIST. YESTERDAY'S ATTACK SUGGESTS HE
DIDN'T TAKE THE ADVICE TO HEART.
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